

# School Transit Subsidy

Description	FY 2002 Approved	FY 2003 Proposed	% Change
Operating Budget	\$3,100,000	\$3,100,000	0.0

The mission of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), through the School Transit Subsidy, is to provide funding, policy recommendations and coordination services in order to provide District students with an efficient, affordable and diverse means of travel.

The subsidy program is designed to make available subsidized Metrorail and Metrobus rides to ensure that all eligible District students have safe passage to school. The agency plans to fulfill its mission by achieving the following strategic result goals:

- Increase the number of trips taken, within the District, using alternate means of transportation, including mass transit, bicycles and high occupancy vehicles.
- Implement alternative strategies to support or enhance overall system traffic flow and capacity.

## Did you know...

Students receiving transit subsidy in FY 2001	69,000
Students requiring transit subsidy in FY 2001	69,000
Cost of the student subsidy program in FY 2001	\$2,973,445

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## Where the Money Comes From

Table KD0-1 shows the various source(s) of funding for the School Transit Subsidy.

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Table KD0-1

### FY 2003 Proposed Operating Budget, by Revenue Type

(dollars in thousands)

	Actual FY 2000	Actual FY 2001	Approved FY 2002	Proposed FY 2003	Change From FY 2002
Local	3,050	2,973	3,100	3,100	0
<b>Gross Funds</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>0</b>

## How the Money is Allocated

Table KD0-2 shows the FY 2003 proposed budget for the agency at the Comptroller Source Group level (Object Class level).

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Table KD0-2

### FY 2003 Proposed Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

(dollars in thousands)

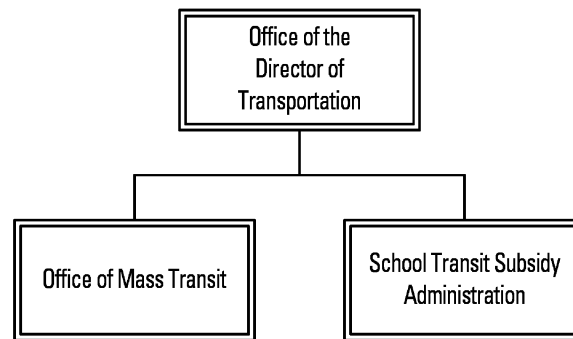
	Actual FY 2000	Actual FY 2001	Approved FY 2002	Proposed FY 2003	Change from FY 2002
Supplies and Materials	0	0	2	2	0
Contractual Services - Other	0	117	117	117	0
Subsidies and Transfers	3,050	2,846	2,951	2,951	0
Equipment & Equipment Rental	0	10	30	30	0
<i>Non-personal Services</i>	<i>3,050</i>	<i>2,973</i>	<i>3,100</i>	<i>3,100</i>	<i>0</i>
<b>Total Proposed Operating Budget</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>0</b>

## Local Funds

The proposed Local budget is \$3,100,000, no change from the FY 2002 approved budget. Since the funding is a subsidy, there are no FTEs associated with this agency. This program receives 100 percent of its funding from Local sources.

Figure KD0-1

## School Transit Subsidy



## Programs

### School Transit Subsidy Administration

The \$3,100,000 proposed budget for FY 2003 fully supports the agency's mission. The Office of Mass Transit, Department of Public Works, manages all program initiatives in cooperation with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and the D.C. Public Schools.

The School Transit Subsidy has the following initiatives:

- Certify the eligibility of students to travel on Metrobus and Metrorail.
- Distribute application blanks for bus tokens.
- Issue student cards to permit subsidized Metrobus and Metrorail travel.
- Administer special programs for student travel during summer and on weekends.
- Verify monthly student ridership.
- Process the quarterly subsidy payment to Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

## Agency Goals and Performance Measures

**Goal 1: To provide subsidized Metrobus and Metrorail ridership to eligible District students.**

*Citywide Strategic Priority Areas:* Strengthening Children, Youth, Families and Individuals; Building and Sustaining Healthy

Neighborhoods

*Manager:* Douglas Stallworth, Transportation Planner

*Supervisor:* Alex Eckmann, Administrator

### Measure 1.1: Number of rail cards issued (thousands)

	Fiscal Year				
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Target	10.8	12.8	13	13	13
Actual	12.8	13	-	-	-

### Measure 1.2: Number of token books issued (thousands)

	Fiscal Year				
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Target	12.1	11.9	12	12	12
Actual	11.9	11.2	-	-	-

### Measure 1.3: Monthly school ridership on Metrobus (thousands)

	Fiscal Year				
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Target	291.7	275	310	310	310
Actual	275	308	-	-	-

Note: The agency has revised its FY02 & FY03 targets from 280,000 to 310,000, based on new projections.

### Measure 1.4: Monthly school ridership on Metrorail (thousands)

	Fiscal Year				
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Target	78.1	80.1	107	107	107
Actual	80.1	106.6	-	-	-

Note: The agency has revised its FY02 & FY03 targets from 81,000 to 107,000, based on new projections.